

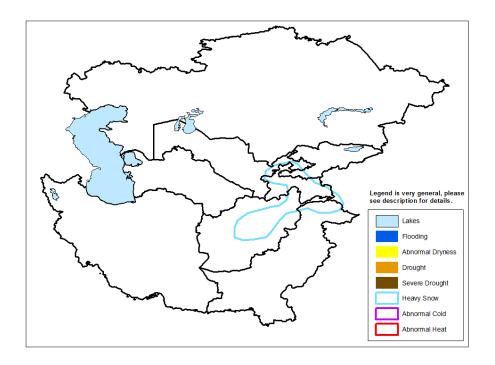
Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook November 12 – 18, 2015

Temperatures:

During early November, temperatures averaged normal to below-normal across Central Asia, with the largest negative anomalies ranging between -5 and -3 degrees Celsius over southern Turkmenistan, southern Uzbekistan, and parts of northern Afghanistan. Minimum temperature also decreased over northern Central Asia relative to that of the week prior, with below-freezing temperature reaching the south-central parts of Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan. Next week, temperatures are expected to return to near-normal, with low temperature potentially reaching -20 degrees Celsius in northern Kazakhstan and the elevated terrains of Afghanistan, Tajikistan, and Kyrgyzstan.

Precipitation

Widespread light to moderate precipitation was observed over Central Asia during the past week. The heaviest precipitation was scattered over local areas of north-central Afghanistan, western Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, and central Kazakhstan. Since early October, most parts of Central Asia have received normal to above-normal precipitation, except northwestern Kazakhstan, where small deficits have been registered. During the next week, precipitation forecasts indicate widespread heavy (> 25 mm liquid equivalent) snowfall over Afghanistan, Tajikistan, and parts of Kyrgyzstan. Widespread moderate snowfall is also expected over Kazakhstan.



Note: The Hazards outlook map is based on current weather/climate information, short and medium range weather forecasts (up to 1 week), and assesses their potential impact on crop and pasture conditions. Shaded polygons are added in areas where anomalous conditions have been observed. The boundaries of these polygons are only approximate at this continental scale. This product does not reflect long range seasonal climate forecasts or indicate current or projected food security conditions.